



Code of Conduct for Parents / Guardians

As a parent / guardian of a Repton Swimming member we understand that you have the right to:

- Be assured that your child is safeguarded during their time with us.
- Know how to access Repton Swimming's policies, rules, and procedures.
- Know who the Welfare Officer is and how to contact them.
- Know that any concerns about your child's welfare will be listened to and responded to.
- Know what qualifications and training those with responsibility for your child have.
- Be informed of problems or concerns relating to your child, where appropriate.
- Know that you will be informed if your child becomes ill and that we will ensure their wellbeing until you are able to collect them.
- Know the procedure should your child be involved in an accident or become injured.
- Provide your consent or otherwise to photography, events and trips away.
- Make a complaint to the Repton Swimming committee or Welfare Officer as appropriate.

As a parent / guardian of a Repton Swimming member we expect you to:

Essentials

- Deliver and collect your child punctually to and from training sessions and events.
- Inform the coach or a member of staff if there is an unavoidable problem in bringing or collecting a child, or if they are to be collected early from a training session or will be taken home by someone else.
- Ensure that your child is appropriately attired including all mandatory equipment eg: hats, goggles etc and that they arrive with enough food and drink.
- Ensure that your child's needs are met in terms of nutrition and listen to any advice given by the coach / nutritionist.
- Complete and return the medical information form, including emergency contact details and all other consent forms and update Repton Swimming straight away if anything changes.
- Maintain good relationships with your child's coach or teacher.
- Tell us if you wish to talk to us about any concerns regarding your child. We will arrange a mutually convenient time so you can talk to us.

General behaviour

- Remember that children get a wide range of benefits from participating in swimming, like making friends, getting exercise, and developing skills. It's not all about wins and losses.
- Give encouragement to your child and tell them when they've done well and provide support when they are struggling.
- Encourage your child to learn the rules of swimming and the rules of the club, including understanding and following the Code of Conduct for Swimmers, which they must sign.
- Respect and celebrate difference in Repton Swimming and its activities, and not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation, faith, or ability.
- Behave responsibly as a spectator during training / events and treat members, coaches, committee members and other parents / guardians of members of Repton Swimming and any other competing organisation with due respect, ensuring that the reputation of Repton is upheld at all times.
- Understand the use of abusive or inappropriate language, bullying, physical violence, or any other behaviour which hurts others will not be tolerated by Repton Swimming.
- Understand that poor behaviour may result in the club taking disciplinary action against you. Any behaviour which alleges a criminal offence will be reported to the police by the club.
- Not enter poolside or changing rooms unless requested to do so or in case of emergency.
- Support the club's requirement for swimmers to compete regularly by entering licensed competitions
- Seek the approval of the relevant squad coach or Director of Swimming before entering your child in any meet outside of those targeted on the official competition calendar.

Breaches of this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action being taken against you by the club committee.

Signature of parent / guardian:

Print Name:

Position in the club:

Date:

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